

## Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application English Language Declaration

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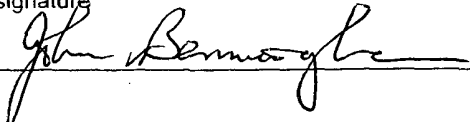
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For: HLA LINKED PRE-ECLAMPSIA AND MISCARRIAGE SUSCEPTIBILITY GENE

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9(f) and 1.27(b))--NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

I hereby state that I am an official empowered to act on behalf of the nonprofit organization identified below:

Name of Nonprofit Organization National University of Ireland, Cork  
Address of Nonprofit Organization College Road, Cork, Ireland

## TYPE OF NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

- ☒ University or Other Institution of Higher Education  
☐ Tax Exempt Under Internal Revenue Service Code (26 USC 501(a) and 501 (c)(3))  
☐ Nonprofit Scientific or Educational Under Statute of State of the United States of America  
(Name of State \_\_\_\_\_)  
(Citation of Statute \_\_\_\_\_)  
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I hereby state that the nonprofit organization identified above qualifies as a nonprofit organization, as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(e), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, with regard to the invention described in

- ☐ the specification filed herewith, with title as listed above.  
☒ the application identified above.  
☐ the patent identified above.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the nonprofit organization, with regard to the above identified invention.

If the rights held by the nonprofit organization are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 C.F.R. 1.9(c), if that person made the invention, or by any concern that would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e)

\*NOTE: Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention as to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27).

Each such person, concern or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

- ☒ No such person, concern, or organization exists.  
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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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